STATEMENT OF BASIS

Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife 600 Capitol Way North Olympia, WA 98501-1091

The purpose of this statement of basis is to explain the need to modify the wastewater discharge permit and provide the basis for the change.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Permittee: Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife

600 Capitol Way North Olympia, WA 98501-1091

Facility: Voights Creek Hatchery

19112 Pioneer Way East Orting, WA 98360

Discharge Location: Latitude: 47° 04' 57" N

Longitude: 122° 10' 42" W

II. MODIFICATION

The Department of Ecology (Department) has decided to modify this permit to clarify the monitoring and reporting requirements as was originally intended in the permit. Due to differences of interpretation, monitoring (at some of the Hatchery facilities who must comply with the Puyallup River Dissolved Oxygen Total Maximum Daily Load Study) has been conducted, summarized and submitted quarterly. The original intent of the permit was to contain the same monitoring and reporting requirements for Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) as contained in the Upland Fin-Fish Hatching and Rearing General NPDES Permit. The general permit required monthly monitoring and quarterly reporting where three DMRs (one per month) are submitted per quarter.